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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Tsuyoshi ARUGA et al.) Group Art Unit: 1791
Application No.: 10/563,131) Examiner: Nickolas R. HARM
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No. PCT/JP2004/009160 under 35 U.S.C.)
371, for JOINING METHOD AND JOINING)
DEVICE)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2009, the period for response
extending to January 2, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.